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SUBJECT: IOC SECRETARIAT, ASST. SEC. FOR COOPERATIVE
INVESTIGATIONS

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1. SCIOFF CALLED ON N. I. SMIRNOV, NEW EXECUTIVE SECRETARY FOR THE USSR COMMISSION FOR UNESCO AFFAIRS, ON JANUARY 2 TO DISCUSS MAMAYEV SITUATION. SMIRNOV, WHO ONLY TWO WEEKS AG REPLACED;VAKHRUSHCHEV, CONFIRMED THAT MAMAYEV WILL STAY ON IN IOC UNDER A NEW CONTRACT AND THAT SOVIET UNESCO COMMISSION HAS NO PLANS ON RECALLING HIM.

2. SCIOFF NOTED THAT US SIDE HAD BEEN LED TO BELIEV BY ADMIRAL RASSOKHO THAT MAMAYEV WOULD BE RECALLED UPON THE EXPIRATION OF HISORIGINAL IOC CONTRACT. SMIRNOV CLAIMED THAT HE WAS NOT VERY FAMILIAR WITH THIS CASE BECAUSE OF HIS NEWNESS IN THE SOVIET UNESCO COMMISSION, BUT STATED THAT HE UNDERSTOOD THAT THE FINAL DECISION HAD BEEN LEFT UP TO MAMAYEV AND THAT HE HAD ELECTED TO RENEW HIS CONTRACT AFTER SOME INITIAL INDECISION DUE TO "PERSONAL" REASONS.

3. SMIRNOV SAID THAT HE REALIZED THA* THERE IS NO US REPRESENTATION ON THE IOC SECRETARIAT WITH?TH DEPARTURE OF MR. THOMPSON AND ADDED THAT THE SOVIET SIDE FAVORED US REPRESENTATION AND THAT WE SHOULD ALL SEEK A NEW APPROACH TO THIS PROBLEM IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT MAMAYEV WOULD BE STAYING ON.SOMMERLATTE

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